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This paper confirms a discussion held March 24, 2005 between Applicants' undersigned representative and Examiner Ponnathapura Achutamurthy regarding the basis for the withdrawal of the case from issuance and the Office Action dated February 16, 2005. Applicants learned that the case had been withdrawn from issue for an alleged failure to comply with the sequence listing requirement. However, Applicants noted that a fully compliant CRF and paper copy of the sequence listing correctly including 28 sequences was provided to the Office no later than the communication dated April 5, 2004, and that the compliance of the sequence listing had been

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confirmed by a telephone call with Mark Spencer, the United States Patent and Trademark Office sequence editor. Examiner Achutamurthy conducted a further review of the file and confirmed that Applicants have in fact complied with all of the sequence listing requirements, as both a paper copy and CRF listing 28 sequences are in the file. The Examiner indicated that the case would thus be advanced to issuance. Applicants therefore hereby respectfully request that the case be advanced to issuance on an expedited manner in order to avoid any further prosecution delay.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the time taken to resolve this issue.

It is believed that no fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 are occasioned by the filing of this paper; however, should the Commissioner determine otherwise, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Fulbright & Jaworski Deposit Account No. 50-1212/UTSD:1276USC1.

Respectfully submitted,



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